CLAIM AMENDMENTS

1. (Currently Amended) A method for providing media in a communication network, the method comprising:

receiving a media file from the communication network at a first home in a first geographic location, said media file received from outside said first home;

determining within said first home, a first format of said received media file; ~~and~~

converting within said first home, said received media file from said first format to a second format compatible for one or both of presentation and/or playback on a television screen within a second home in a second geographic location;

storing said second format compatible media file within said first home;

in a first operation, retrieving said second format compatible media file from storage and transmitting said second format compatible media file within said first home for playback; and

in a second operation, retrieving said second format compatible media file from storage and transmitting said second format compatible media file from said first home to said second home for playback.

2. (Previously Presented) The method according to claim 1, comprising one or both of decoding and/or decrypting said received media file within said first home.

3. (Previously Presented) The method according to claim 1, comprising transcoding said received media file within said first home from said first format to said second format.

4. (Previously Presented) The method according to claim 1, comprising directly transferring said converted media file to at least one media peripheral located within said first home.

5. (Previously Presented) The method according to claim 1, comprising distributing said converted media file to one or both of a media peripheral within said first home and/or a media peripheral within said second home via one or both of a wired

and/or a wireless connection.

6. (Previously Presented) The method according to claim 5, comprising receiving authorization for said distributing of said converted media file to said at least one media peripheral within said second home.

7. (Previously Presented) The method according to claim 1, comprising storing said converted media file in one or both of a network attached storage and/or a storage area network within one or both of said first home and/or said second home.

8. (Previously Presented) The method according to claim 7, comprising:

retrieving said stored converted media file; and

displaying on said television screen within said first home, said retrieved converted media file.

9. (Previously Presented) The method according to claim 1, comprising storing said received media file prior to said converting in one or more of a network attached storage, a storage server and/or a storage area network located at said first home.

10. (Previously Presented) The method according to claim 1, wherein said received media file is one or more of audio, video, image, graphical and/or textual media file.

11. (Currently Amended) A machine-readable storage having stored thereon, a computer program having at least one code section for providing media in a communication network, the at least one code section being executable by a machine for causing the machine to perform steps as described above in the method.

receiving a media file from the communication network at a first home in a first geographic location, said media file received from outside said first home;

determining within said first home, a first format of said received media file; ~~and~~

converting within said first home, said received media file from said first format

to a second format compatible for one or both of presentation and/or playback on a television screen within a second home in a second geographic location;

storing said second format compatible media file within said first home;

in a first operation, retrieving said second format compatible media file from storage and transmitting said second format compatible media file within said first home for playback; and

in a second operation, retrieving said second format compatible media file from storage and transmitting said second format compatible media file from said first home to said second home for playback.

12. (Previously Presented) The machine-readable storage according to claim 11, comprising one or both of code for decoding and/or code for decrypting said received media file within said first home.

13. (Previously Presented) The machine-readable storage according to claim 11, comprising code for transcoding said received media file within said first home from said first format to said second format.

14. (Previously Presented) The machine-readable storage according to claim 11, comprising code for directly transferring said converted media file to at least one media peripheral located within said first home.

15. (Previously Presented) The machine-readable storage according to claim 11, comprising code for distributing said converted media file to one or both of a media peripheral within said first home and/or a media peripheral within said second home via at least one of a wired and a wireless connection.

16. (Previously Presented) The machine-readable storage according to claim 15, comprising code for receiving authorization for said distributing of said converted media file to said at least one media peripheral within said second home.

17. (Previously Presented) The machine-readable storage according to claim 11, comprising code for causing said converted media file to be stored in one or both of a network attached storage and/or a storage area network within one or both of said first home and/or said second home.

18. (Previously Presented) The machine-readable storage according to claim 17, comprising:

code for retrieving said stored converted media file; and

code for displaying on said television screen within said first home, said retrieved converted media file.

19. (Previously Presented) The machine-readable storage according to claim 11, comprising code for storing said received media file prior to said converting in one or more of a network attached storage, a storage server and/or a storage area network located at said first home.

20. (Previously Presented) The machine-readable storage according to claim 11, wherein said received media file is one or more of audio, video, image, graphical and/or textual media file.

21. (Currently Amended) A system for providing media in a communication network, the system comprising:

at least one processor that receives a media file from the communication network at a first home in a first geographic location, said media file received from outside said first home;

said processor determines within said first home, a first format of said received media file; ~~and~~

said processor converts within said first home, said received media file from said first format to a second format compatible for one or both of presentation and/or playback on a television screen within a second home in a second geographic location;

said processor coordinates storing said second format compatible media file

within said first home;

said processor, in a first operation, coordinates retrieving said second format compatible media file from storage and transmitting said second format compatible media file within said first home for playback; and

said processor, in a second operation, coordinates retrieving said second format compatible media file from storage and transmitting said second format compatible media file from said first home to said second home for playback.

22. (Previously Presented) The system according to claim 21, wherein said at least one processor one or both of decodes and/or decrypts said received media file within said first home.

23. (Original) The system according to claim 21, wherein said at least one processor transcodes said received media file within said first home from said first format to said second format.

24. (Original) The system according to claim 21, wherein said at least one processor directly transfers said converted media file to at least one media peripheral located within said first home.

25. (Previously Presented) The system according to claim 21, wherein said at least one processor distributes said converted media file to one or both of a media peripheral within said first home and/or a media peripheral within said second home via one or both of a wired and/or a wireless connection.

26. (Original) The system according to claim 25, wherein said at least one processor receives authorization for said distributing of said converted media file to said at least one media peripheral within said second home.

27. (Previously Presented) The system according to claim 21, wherein said at least one processor stores said converted media file in one or both of a network attached

storage and/or a storage area network within one or both of said first home and/or said second home.

28. (Original) The system according to claim 27, wherein said at least one processor:

retrieves said stored converted media file; and

causes said retrieved converted media file to be displayed on said television screen within said first home.

29. (Previously Presented) The system according to claim 21, wherein said at least one processor stores said received media file prior to said converting in one or more of a network attached storage, a storage server and/or a storage area network located at said first home.

30. (Previously Presented) The system according to claim 21, wherein said received media file is one or more of audio, video, image, graphical and/or textual media file.

31. (Previously Presented) The system according to claim 21, wherein said at least one processor is one or more of a media processing system processor, a media management system processor, a computer processor, a media exchange software processor and/or a media peripheral processor.